

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA**

NATHAN E. JACOBS,

Plaintiff,

v.

**Civil Action No. 1:16cv3
(Judge Keeley)**

MR. CHRISTOPHER CRAFT, Chaplin,

Defendant.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION

Plaintiff initiated this *pro se* civil action on January 7, 2016, by filing a complaint pursuant to Bivens v. Six Unknown Named Agents of Federal Bureau of Investigation.¹ In the complaint, Plaintiff alleges that on August 23, 2015, Defendant emailed and filed inaccurate information to the “Central Office Chaplancy [sic] Agency.” Plaintiff maintains that this inaccurate information prejudices his right to be placed “nearest home” under the Life Connections Program and under the Management Variable. For relief, Plaintiff asks the Court to “command FCI Gilmer Chaplancy [sic]... to eradicate this inaccurate information” by any means necessary.” Plaintiff has filed a Motion to Proceed without Prepayment of Fees. ECF No. 2.

After the enactment of the Prison Litigation and Reform Act (PLRA) of 1996, the following subsection was added to 28 U.S.C. § 1915:

(g) In no event shall a prisoner bring a civil rights action or appeal a judgment in a civil action or proceeding under this section if the prisoner has, on 3 or more prior occasions, while incarcerated or detained in any facility, brought an action or appeal in a court of the United States that was dismissed on the grounds that it is frivolous, malicious, or fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted, unless the prisoner is under imminent danger of serious physical injury.

28 U.S.C. § 1915(g).

The undersigned’s review of PACER, the nationwide database maintained by the federal courts, indicates that at least three of Plaintiff’s prior civil cases or appeals qualify as strikes under this

¹403 U.S. 388 (1971).

provision. See Jacobs v. U.S.A. Supreme Clerk, et al., No. 101332, 2010 WL 3123169 (D.C. Aug. 9, 2010) (dismissing pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(b)(ii) for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted); Jacobs v. Supreme Court of the United States, et al., No. 10-5271, 2011 WL 2199975 (D.C. Cir. Aug. 8, 2011) (affirming district court's order filed August 9, 2010); Jacobs v. Holder, et al., No. 4:10cv1544, 2010 WL 4449357 (N.D. Ohio Nov. 1, 2010) (Federal claims dismissed with prejudice pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)). Therefore, based on the strikes Plaintiff has accumulated, he may not file another complaint without prepayment of fees unless he is in "imminent danger of serious physical injury."

Here, Plaintiff's allegations regarding the entry of a document containing erroneous information falls far short of demonstrating that he is in imminent danger of serious physical injury. Accordingly, Plaintiff cannot overcome the three strike bar.

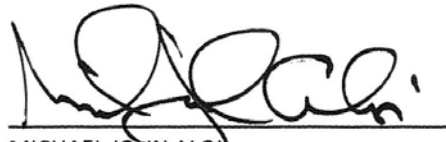
For the foregoing reasons, the undersigned recommends Plaintiff's case be **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE** pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g). See Dupree v. Palmer, 284 F.3d 1234, 1236 (11th Cir. 2002) ("[T]he proper procedure is for the district court to dismiss the complaint without prejudice when the prisoner is not entitled to proceed *in forma pauperis* pursuant to the three strikes provision of § 1915. The prisoner cannot simply pay the filing fee after being denied *in forma pauperis* status. He must pay the filing fee at the time he **initiates** the suit.") (emphasis in original).

Within fourteen (14) days after being served with a copy of this Report and Recommendation, any party may file with the Clerk of Court written objections identifying those portions of the recommendation to which objection is made and the basis for such objections. A copy of any objections shall also be submitted to the Honorable Irene M. Keeley, United States District Judge. Failure to timely file objections to this recommendation will result in waiver of the right to appeal from a judgment of this Court based upon such recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140 (1985); Wright v. Collins, 766 F.2d 841 (4th Cir. 1985); United States v. Schronce, 727 F.2d 91 (4th Cir. 1984), cert. denied, 467 U.S. 1208 (1984).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

The Clerk is directed to mail a copy of this Report and Recommendation to the *pro se* plaintiff by certified mail, return receipt requested, to his last known address as shown on the docket.

DATED: January 25, 2016.



MICHAEL JOHN ALOP
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE